



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL  
INSPECTIONS  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
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LOS ANGELES, CA 90012  
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**Wednesday, May 22, 2013**

**10:00 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-2481)

**Attachments:**    [AUDIO](#)

Present:            Chairperson Eleanor R. Montañó, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Anne S. Hill, Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and Commissioner Susan Burton

Excused:           Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D.

Call to Order. (13-2395)

**Chairperson Montañó called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.**

**Chairperson Montañó led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Commissioner Burton joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.**

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Approval of the May 15, 2013 Minutes. (13-2396)

**On motion of Commissioner Barbara Bigby, seconded by Commissioner Donald Andrews and duly carried, the minutes of May 15, 2013 were approved with the following correction:**

**On page 3, paragraph #3 should state, ...Response Plan Issued by the-  
~~Commission~~ Commissioners Bigby and Hill...**

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2. Recommendation to approve the revisions and adopt the Sybil Brand Commission Group Home Inspection Form. (13-2301)

**The Commission reviewed the revised Group Home Inspection form and provided the following revisions:**

- **Revise the "Special Incident Report" sub-heading to include "in the last 30 days."**

**On motion of Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Bigby and unanimously carried, the form was approved and adopted by the Commission.**

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## **II. REPORTS**

3. Chairperson's Report on various items for May 22, 2013. (13-2397)

**Chairperson Montaña informed the Commission that she attended the Women Against Gun Violence program that was held on May 19, 2013, at the Taglyan Cultural Complex, Los Angeles, California. A copy of the program was circulated for the Commissioners review.**

**Chairperson Montaña further announced that the following invitations were received by the Commission:**

- **Department of Children and Family Services, "Celebration 13", will honor the academic achievements of foster youth on Tuesday, June 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles, California.**
- **Tierra del Sol Foundation special tribute luncheon will honor volunteers and partner organizations who have assisted individuals with disabilities on June 14, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Sportsmen's Lodge in Studio City, California.**

**Chairperson Montaña also shared the following Newspaper Articles:**

- **Los Angeles Times:**
  - **Trouble with foster care (May 16, 2013)**
  - **It's just cruel (May 16, 2013)**
  - **A new plan for county jails is pushed (May 21, 2013)**
  - **Crime rates fall in sheriff's area (May 21, 2013)**
  - **County to study razing part of jail (May 22, 2013)**

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○ **Sex Assaults in California jails (May 22, 2013)**

• **Daily Breeze**

○ **County eyes way to add deputies (May 22, 2013)**

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4.    Treasurer's Report for May 22, 2013.    (13-2398)

**Vice Chairperson Frank Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund increased to \$1210.96 after a deposit of \$180.00.**

5.    Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for March 22, 2013.    (13-2399)

**Ms. Bolaji Famuyiwa, Staff, Commission Services, provided a status report on the 2013 SBC Scholarship Awards Program. She reported that the Commission received a total of ten (10) scholarship applications. All ten (10) applications were submitted to the Scholarship Review Committee (Vice Chairperson Bacio and Commissioners Andrews and Hills).**

**Considering that the Commission's regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 29, 2013 is being cancelled to enable the Commissioners to attend the Los Angeles County Peace Officers Memorial Ceremony, the Commissioners agreed that the review committee should send their scores/ratings of the applications to staff by May 28, 2013, via telephone or fax to avoid any delays in making the necessary contacts and arrangements for the June 18, 2013 Scholarship Presentation Breakfast and the Board presentation. The Commission will review and approve the chosen scholarship recipients at the June 5, 2013 meeting.**

**Ms. Famuyiwa also reported that the Honorable Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas has approved the Commission's request to sponsor the Scholarship Presentation Breakfast on June 18, 2013 in the amount of \$300.00.**

6.    Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports presented on May 22, 2013. (13-2400)

**In Compliance:**

- **Commissioners Burton visited Positive Path Youth Development, Page 34, #3 on May 21, 2013.**

7.    Commissioners Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from May 16, 2013 to May 21, 2013. (13-2401)

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**During the reporting period, the following Group Homes/Facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:**

- **Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited the Norwalk Branch on May 15, 2013.**
- **Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited the Torrance Branch on May 15, 2013. Requested staff to report to the Board of Supervisors on the Branch's its excellent rating.**
- **Vice Chairperson Bacio, Commissioners Andrews, Bigby, Burton, and Grills visited Central Juvenile Hall on May 16, 2013. The Commissioners met with and was escorted by Gregory McCovey, Superintendent, Probation Department. All the Commissioners were in agreement that the facility was in excellent condition.**
- **Commissioner Bigby visited Children's Home of Southern California, Page 8, #2, on May 21, 2013. The first aid kit needs updating and two of the Needs and Services Plans were not signed by the Social Worker.**

**During the reporting period, the following Group Homes was visited, but not inspected because no one was at home:**

- **Vice Chairperson Bacio visited Casa Esperanza Treatment Center, Page 42, #2 on May 21, 2013.**

### **III. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Matters Not Posted**

8. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-2402)

**There were no matters presented for a future agenda.**

#### **Public Comment**

9. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-2403)

**There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.**

**Adjournment**

10. Adjournment for the meeting of May 22, 2013. (13-2404)

**There being no further business, Chairperson Montaña adjourned the meeting of May 22, 2013 at 11:33 a.m.**